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Applicant:

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Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed September 16, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Restriction/Election:

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required:

- I. Claims 1-51 and 89-108, drawn to a cementing plug for use in a cementing casing in a well, a method for wiping the inner surface of a casing, and a method for cementing a casing classified in class 166, subclass 192.
- II. Claims 52, 54-57, 62, 64, 67-69, 80, 82, 84, 86-88, 109-112 and 114-141, drawn to a method for wiping an inner surface of a tubular member, a device for wiping an inner surface of a tubular member, and a plug for wiping an inner surface of a tubular member classified in class 15, subclass 1 or 88.

Applicant hereby elects Invention I, claims 1-51 and 89-108.

In The Claims

Please cancel claims 52, 54-57, 62, 64, 67-69, 80, 82, 84, 86-88, 109-112 and 114-141 without prejudice or disclaimer.



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Enclosed are the following regarding the above-identified patent application:

- 1. Response to Office action mailed September 16, 2002;
- 2. this transmittal letter in duplicate; and
- 3. return postcard.

The Commissioner is herby authorized to charge payment of any further fees associated with any of the papers submitted herewith or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

Respectfully submitted,

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